



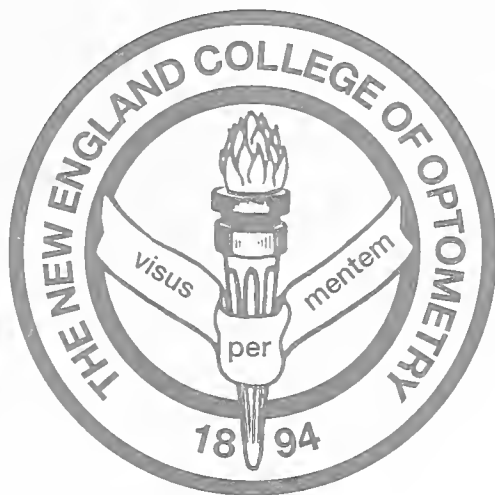
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The New England College of Optometry

Commencement Exercises **2003**



Saturday, the thirty-first of May
The Boston Park Plaza Hotel
Boston, Massachusetts



Commencement Program

Processional

Marshall

Richard Laudon, OD – Associate Professor

Invocation

Reverend Colin L. Leitch

Welcome

Alan Laird Lewis, OD, PhD – President

Norman Spector, JD – Chairman, Board of Trustees,

New England College of Optometry

Sally Deane, EdM, MPH, - Chairman, Board of Directors,

New England Eye Institute

Conferral of Honorary Degrees

David A. Marco, Doctor of Humane Letters

Introduced by Ronald R. Ferrucci, OD, Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees

Thomas F. Reilly, JD, Doctor of Humane Letters

Commencement Address

Attorney General Thomas F. Reilly

Valedictory Address

Katie M. Field, Valedictorian, Class of 2003

Presentation of Candidates

David Heath, OD, EdM – Vice President/Dean of Academic Affairs

Presentation of Degrees

Hooding the Candidates:

Barry Barresi, OD, PhD, - President of New England Eye Institute

Richard Laudon, OD – Associate Professor

Pledge

Dr. Lewis will lead the graduates in the Optometric Oath

Benediction

Reverend Colin L. Leitch

Recessional

Reception immediately following ceremony in the Stanbro Room.

Doctor of Optometry Degree Recipients

John Murray Adams OD 05/31/03

Michael Robert Adams OD 05/31/03

Edgar Castro Aguilar OD 05/31/03

Laura J. Ahn OD 05/31/03

Jennifer M. Anders OD 05/31/03

Philip Michael Arsenault OD 05/31/03

Baharak Asefzadeh OD 05/31/03

Alison Ann Baikal OD 05/31/03

Kayla B. Baker OD 05/31/03

Judith Melanie Balberan OD 05/31/03

SA/INT Ajit Bhoopchand + OD 05/08/03

Nokhram Boodhoo OD 05/31/03

Sarah Ann Boulais OD 05/31/03

Heather Anne Bourdeau OD 05/31/03

James Brent Brown OD 05/31/03

Ebony Yohari Browne OD 05/31/03

ADDP Mihai Busuioac * OD 05/08/03

Jenette Lynn Cantrell OD 05/31/03

Michael D. Carstens OD 05/31/03

Michelle Monica Chan OD 05/31/03

Gene Chang OD 05/31/03

Chester Chen OD 05/31/03

Kai-May Chen OD 05/31/03

MS/OD Shihao Chen OD 05/31/03 (CHINA)

ASIP Chi-Ming Cheung + OD 05/31/03

ASIP Geeta Chowdhary + OD 05/31/03

James Chuang OD 05/31/03

SA/INT Christine Aristeo Croker + OD 12/09/02

ADDP Weihua Ding * OD 12/08/03

Sarah Lindsay Durant OD 05/31/03

ASIP Luke Irabor Esekheigbe + OD 05/31/03

Shirin A. Esmail OD 05/31/03

Ifeoma Lawretta Ezeani OD 05/31/03

Christina Farag OD 05/31/03

Brenda Marie Faulhaber OD 05/31/03

Katie M. Field OD 05/31/03

Micki M. Flynn OD 05/31/03

Matthew D. Foley OD 05/31/03

Matthew James Francis OD 05/31/03

Eva Fung

Mount Pleasant, New Brunswick,
Canada

Boston, Massachusetts

El Centro, California

Houston, Texas

Elkton, Maryland

Stoughton, Massachusetts

Winchester, Massachusetts

Kensington, Connecticut

Waltham, Massachusetts

Coquitlam, British Columbia

Western Cape, South Africa

Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Danielson, Connecticut

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Atlanta, Georgia

Dacula, Georgia

Windsor, Ontario, Canada

Sarasota, Florida

Saco, Maine

Cornwall, Ontario, Canada

Rosemead, California

Brooklyn, New York

Poughkeepsie, New York

Wenzhou, Zhejiang, China

Hong Kong, China

Cambridge, Massachusetts

Flushing, New York

Gauteng, South Africa

Shenyang, Liaoning, China

Manchester, New Hampshire

Jamaica, New York

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

Paulus Verdes Estate, California

Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Ocala, Florida

Pawtucket, Rhode Island

Plattsburgh, New York

Newburyport, Massachusetts

Nashua, New Hampshire

Needham, Massachusetts

Marina Furman OD 05/31/03
Jessica Pierce Gage OD 05/31/03
Deidre Leah Gallant OD 05/31/03
Marla Glick OD 05/31/03
A/INT Martin St. John Grimbly + OD 09/08/03
Nermeen Hamza OD 05/31/03
Michael Charles Hans OD 05/31/03
Erica Lyn Hill OD 05/31/03
Jane Bucci Hill OD 05/31/03
Bao Huy Hoang OD 05/31/03
Matthew John Hochwalt OD 05/31/03
Krister L. Holmberg OD 05/31/03
Nghi Nina Huynh OD 05/31/03
Benito A. Jaramillo OD 05/31/03
P/IF D. Glen Joseph + OD 05/31/03
Cheryl DePaolo Jost OD 05/31/03
Kristin Schuster Kenney OD 05/31/03
Samala M. Khan OD 05/31/03
Clara D. Kim OD 09/08/03
Douglas Kim OD 05/31/03
Penny Kin OD 05/31/03
Josephus Knight Jr. OD 05/31/03
A/INT Nina Kriel + OD 03/11/03
Benh Lam OD 05/31/03
Jacob Raymond Lang OD 05/31/03
Carolyn Le OD 05/31/03
DeAnne Elaine Leonard OD 05/31/03
Ramonica Lewis OD 05/31/03
Dennis J. Lin OD 05/31/03
A/DP Ting Liu * OD 09/08/03
15/OD Fan Lu OD 12/09/02
Andrew Hoa Ly OD 05/31/03
Reid Isao Mamiya OD 05/31/03
Jenny Hiu-Chiu Mar OD 05/31/03
A/DP Lance Earl McNaughton * OD 09/08/03
Matthew Joseph Moddermo OD 05/31/03
Katherine D. Moellendorf OD 05/31/03
Allon Nejatheim OD 05/31/03
Gina M. Nepomuceno OD 05/31/03
Khuong An Nguyen OD 05/31/03
Uyen Tran Nha Nguyen OD 05/31/03
Joseph P. O'Brien OD 05/31/03
Esther Sung-hee Ohn OD 09/08/03
Sukumar Pandit OD 05/31/03
Hanna Yemimi Park OD 05/31/03

Brighton, Massachusetts
Orleans, Vermont
Stephenville, Newfoundland, Canada
Akron, Ohio
Capetown, South Africa
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
Dix Hills, New York
Pelham, New Hampshire
Glocester, Rhode Island
San Diego, California
Dayton, Ohio
Poulsbo, Washington
Orange, California
Battle Mountain, Nevada
Boca Raton, Florida
Milton, Massachusetts
Watertown, Massachusetts
Great Falls, Virginia
Los Angeles, California
Orange County, California
Thornhill, Ontario, Canada
Flint, Michigan
East London, South Africa
El Monte, California
Glenwood, Minnesota
Daly City, California
Worcester, Massachusetts
McCombs, Mississippi
Monterey, California
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Zhejiang, China
New Britain, Connecticut
Anaheim Hills, California
Flushing, New York
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
Staten Island, New York
Kent, Washington
Great Neck, New York
Forked River, New Jersey
Worcester, Massachusetts
Fresno, California
Allston, Massachusetts
Modesto, California
Triadelphia, West Virginia
Austin, Texas

ADDP Nilpa Patel + OD 05/31/03
 Nimali Subodh Patel OD 05/31/03
 ABIP Nisha Patel + OD 05/31/03
 Tanvi Dinesh Patel OD 05/31/03
 Jodee A. Perretta OD 05/31/03
 Hannah Ngoc-Ha Pham OD 05/31/03
 Thien Chu Pham OD 05/31/03
 Dana Yenlan Phan OD 05/31/03
 Susan J. Pietz OD 05/31/03
 Richard S. Price OD 05/31/03
 Michael Aaron Purdy OD 05/31/03
 Galina A. Rabkin OD 05/31/03
 Amy S. Roan OD 05/31/03
 Theadora Rossi OD 05/31/03
 Blair Gregory Seelhammer OD 05/31/03
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 Mi-Jeong Shin OD 05/31/03
 Kuljeet Singh OD 05/31/03
 Rajni Singh OD 05/31/03
 Paul Louis Sonenblum OD 05/31/03
 Jamie Stonick OD 05/31/03
 Paige G. Tang OD 05/31/03
 Trisha Maria Tidd OD 05/31/03
 Michelle Elizabeth Tiu OD 05/31/03
 ABIP William Huyliem Trinh + OD 05/31/03
 Kim Tho Vo OD 05/31/03
 Mieu Dong Vo OD 05/31/03
 Brendon Jon Weaver OD 05/31/03
 Kimberly Dawn Woody OD 05/31/03
 Emily Hope Workman OD 05/31/03

Wilmington, North Carolina
 Wayne, New Jersey
 Pinner, Middlesex, United Kingdom
 Houston, Texas
 Mechanicville, New York
 Cypress, California
 Salinas, California
 Garden Grove, California
 Mitchell, South Dakota
 Webster, New York
 Irwin, Ohio
 Brookline, Massachusetts
 Maitland, Florida
 Hamden, Connecticut
 Moorhead, Minnesota
 Toronto, Ontario, Canada
 Anchorage, Alaska
 Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
 Brookline, Massachusetts
 Monroe Township, New Jersey
 Branford, Connecticut
 Walnut, California
 Kingston, New Hampshire
 Las Vegas, Nevada
 Sydney, Australia
 Westminster, California
 Medford, Massachusetts
 Brighton, Massachusetts
 Pensacola, Florida
 Medina, Ohio

* Accelerated Optometric Degree Program
 + Advanced Standing International Program

Bachelor of Science * Degree Recipients

Oscar Ernest Castro BS 05/31/03 Miami Lakes, Florida
 Vincent Wai-Hung Lam BS 05/31/03 Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Note: Degree is Bachelor of Science in Optometry

The information in this program should not be considered as verification that a degree was received.
 All inquiries should be directed to the Registrar's Office.

2003 HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Thomas F. Reilly, Doctorate of Humane Letters, has served as the Commonwealth's 43rd attorney general since 1999. In that role he has been an enthusiastic advocate for the public in areas of energy, civil rights, education, women and seniors issues, and health care. When the state's largest HMO, Harvard Pilgrim Health Care, encountered financial difficulty, Attorney General Reilly took immediate action to protect both patients and providers while allowing HPHC to re-enter the competitive health care market where it has continued to provide service to over one million members. He was instrumental in securing Massachusetts' share of the multi-million settlement with tobacco companies and has aggressively combated high tech and computer crimes by establishing a division within his office dedicated to the investigation and prosecution of cyber-criminals.

Attorney General Reilly has been active in ensuring the equitable treatment of health care professionals by ensuring that qualified practitioners are not unfairly excluded from participation in managed care panels and has supported anti-discrimination efforts in the health care field. His support for the rights of patients is a hallmark of his tenure in office.

The openness and accessibility of Attorney General Reilly's office is testament to his regard for the ordinary citizens of Massachusetts and ensures the closeness to consumers that have characterized his service.

A native of Springfield, he is a graduate of American International College and the Boston College Law School.

David A. Marco

David A. Marco, Doctorate of Humane Letters, is President and CEO of Marco Ophthalmic, Inc., a leading developer and distributor of ophthalmic equipment, diagnostic instruments, and computerized products used by the eye care professions. A graduate of the Stetson University School of Business, he began his career in sales positions for Frontier Contact Lenses which became Vistakon when acquired by Johnson and Johnson. In 1981, he assumed the leadership of Marco Ophthalmic, the company founded by his father, Seymour Marco. Under his guidance, the company has become a world leader in supplying state of the art equipment to optometrists, ophthalmologists, and opticians. In addition to business responsibilities, Mr. Marco has served on Emory University's National Council of Medicine, has represented Florida to the White House Conference on Small Business, and has chaired the Jacksonville (FL) Aviation Authority. He has served on the Boards of Bolles High School, The River Garden Hebrew Home, and the Jacksonville Port Authority.

As President of the Seymour Marco Foundation, Mr. Marco quietly established what has become the single largest source of regular charitable support for optometric education. Over the past several years, the Marco Foundation has distributed several hundred thousand dollars to the schools and colleges of optometry in support of programs, scholarships and equipment, usually in the form of a ten year grant. The New England College of Optometry's Marco Computer Learning Facility was made possible by such a gift. Such a program is unique in the ophthalmic industry.

David A. Marco is a true philanthropist whose commitment to education has made a demonstrable difference in the quality of optometric training programs across the United States.

Candidates for Residency Certification

Cornea and Contact Lenses

Oliver Chen, OD
Amy Croteau, OD

The New England College of Optometry
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Family Practice Optometry

Kelly MacDonnell, OD

Dimock Community Health Center

Ocular Disease

Krishna Krithivas, OD
Charlie Alfano, OD
Saundra Crisci, OD

Kittery Optometric Associates
Ophthalmic Consultants of Boston
D'Ambrosio Eye Care, Inc.

Pediatric Optometry

Melissa Suckow, OD

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Primary Eye Care

Charlene Chateaufneuf, OD
Raymond Chew, OD
Sharena Mangal, OD
Kristin Orabone, OD
Jung Kim, OD
Chi Hae Kwan, OD
Manish Shah, OD
Enrique Yepes-Hoyos, OD

VA Boston – West Roxbury Campus
Manchester – VA Medical Center
VA Connecticut – Newington Campus
VA Connecticut – Newington Campus
VA Boston – Brockton Campus
VA Boston – West Roxbury Campus
VA Boston – Brockton Campus
VA Boston – Brockton Campus

Primary Eye Care – Geriatric Optometry

William Avonda, OD
Dwight Barnes, OD
Jeffery Doot, OD
Nyla Lambert, OD
Theresa Volkert, OD

Bedford – VA Memorial Hospital
VA Boston – Jamaica Plain Campus
Bedford – VA Medical Center
VA Boston – Jamaica Plain Campus
VA Boston – Jamaica Plain Campus

Primary Eye Care - Low Vision Rehabilitation

Margaret Adubor, OD
Christine Burke, OD
Erik Mohaber, OD

VA Connecticut – West Haven Campus
VA Connecticut – West Haven Campus
VA Connecticut – West Haven Campus

Personal Achievement Awards

F. Dow Smith Award	<i>Rajni Singh</i>
Dr. Hyman R. Kamens Award	<i>Edgar Castro Aguilar</i>
National Optometric Student Association Award	<i>Kuljeet Singh</i> <i>James Brent Brown</i>
Dr. Edward Joseph Troendle, Jr. Award	<i>Richard S. Price</i>
Alumni Association Award	<i>Edgar Castro Aguilar</i>

Academic Awards

Valedictory and Beta Sigma Kappa Silver Medal	<i>Katie M. Field</i>
Salutatory	<i>Micki M. Flynn</i>
Advanced Standing International Program Scholastic Achievement Award	<i>Geeta Chowdhary</i>
William R. Baldwin Scholastic Achievement Award	<i>Ting Liu</i>

Beta Sigma Kappa Honor Society

*John Murray Adams**
Michael Robert Adams
*Philip Michael Arsenaault**
Baharak Asefzadeh
Alison Ann Baikal
*Kayla B. Baker**
Judith Melanie Balberan
Nokhram Boodhoo
*Sarah Ann Boulais**
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*Katie M. Field**
*Micki M. Flynn**
Matthew D. Foley
Matthew James Francis
Eva Fung
*Jane Bucci Hill**
Krister L. Holmberg
Nghi Nina Huynh
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Mi-Jeong Shin
*Jamie Stonick**
*William Huyliem Trinh**
Mieu Dong Vo
*Brendon Jon Weaver**
*Kimberly Dawn Woody**

**Four-Year Participation*

Clinical Awards

Alcon Award	<i>John Murray Adams</i>
Asarkof Scholarship	<i>Heather Anne Bourdeau</i>
William C. Barrett Memorial Scholarship	<i>James Brent Brown</i>
College of Optometrists in Vision Development Award	<i>Matthew Joseph Modderno</i>
Class of 1969 Scholarship	<i>Dennis J. Lin</i>
Eschenbach Award for Excellence in Low Vision	<i>Heather Anne Bourdeau</i>
William Feinbloom Low Vision Award	<i>Michael Robert Adams</i>
David J. Kerko Low Vision Award	<i>Emily Hope Workman</i>
Marchon Eyewear Practice Management Award	<i>Thien Chu Pham</i>
The New England College of Optometry Clinic Award	<i>Sarah Ann Boulais</i>
RGP Lens Institute Award	<i>Jacob Raymond Lang</i>
Ira Schwartz Behavioral Vision Award	<i>Micki M. Flynn</i>
Vistakon Award of Excellence in Contact Lenses	<i>Kristin Schuster Kenney</i>
Vision Service Plan Award	<i>Jacob Raymond Lang Philip Michael Arsenault</i>

Faculty Awards

Foster Namias Award

Dr. Maureen Hanley

Carroll Martus Award

Dr. Erik Weissberg

Research Honors

*Samala M. Khan
Vandhana Sharda
Kayla B. Baker*

Clinical Scholars

*Kayla B. Baker
Heather Anne Bourdeau
Micki M. Flynn
Jacob Raymond Lang
Sukumar Pandit
Kristin Schuster Kenney*

Academic Heraldry

The caps, gowns and hoods worn at College functions have their origins in the robes worn by monks and students in the middle ages to keep out the cold and damp. Today, the academic regalia has been standardized by tradition and agreement among institutions of higher learning.

The gowns for bachelor degrees have long, pointed sleeves and are worn closed. Masters degree holders wear gowns with oblong sleeves open at the wrist. The gown may be worn open or closed. Gowns for the doctoral degree carry long velvet panels down the front and have three velvet bars on the full sleeves. The velvet may be black or of a color distinctive to the field of study for which the degree is given. Gowns are usually black, but a few institutions now prescribe colors representative of the school.

Caps, also called mortarboards, may be of cloth or, for the doctoral outfit, velvet. The tassel is black or of a color appropriate to the field of study. Doctoral tassels may be gold.

The colors on the hoods provide the institutional identity and signify the field of study. The style of the hood is specific to the degree level, with doctoral hoods being larger, with wider velvet borders, and with a panel at the back. The silk lining of the hood is in the institutional colors and the velvet borders signify the field of the degree. Commonly seen colors are:

Arts, letters, humanities:	white
Architecture:	brown
Dentistry:	lilac
Education:	light blue
Law:	purple
Library science:	lemon yellow
Medicine:	green
Optometry:	seafoam green
Philosophy:	dark blue
Public Administration:	peacock blue
Public Health:	salmon pink

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The Optometric Oath*

With full deliberation I freely and solemnly pledge that:

I will practice the art and science of optometry faithfully and conscientiously, and to the fullest scope of my competence.

I will uphold and honorably promote by example and action the highest standard, ethics and ideals of my chosen profession and the honor of the degree, Doctor of Optometry, which has been granted me.

I will provide professional care for those who seek my services, with concern, with compassion and with due regard for their human rights and dignity.

I will place the treatment of those who seek my care above personal gain and strive to see that none shall lack proper care.

I will hold as privileged and inviolable all information entrusted to me in confidence by my patients.

I will advise my patients fully and honestly of all which may serve to restore, maintain or enhance their vision and general health.

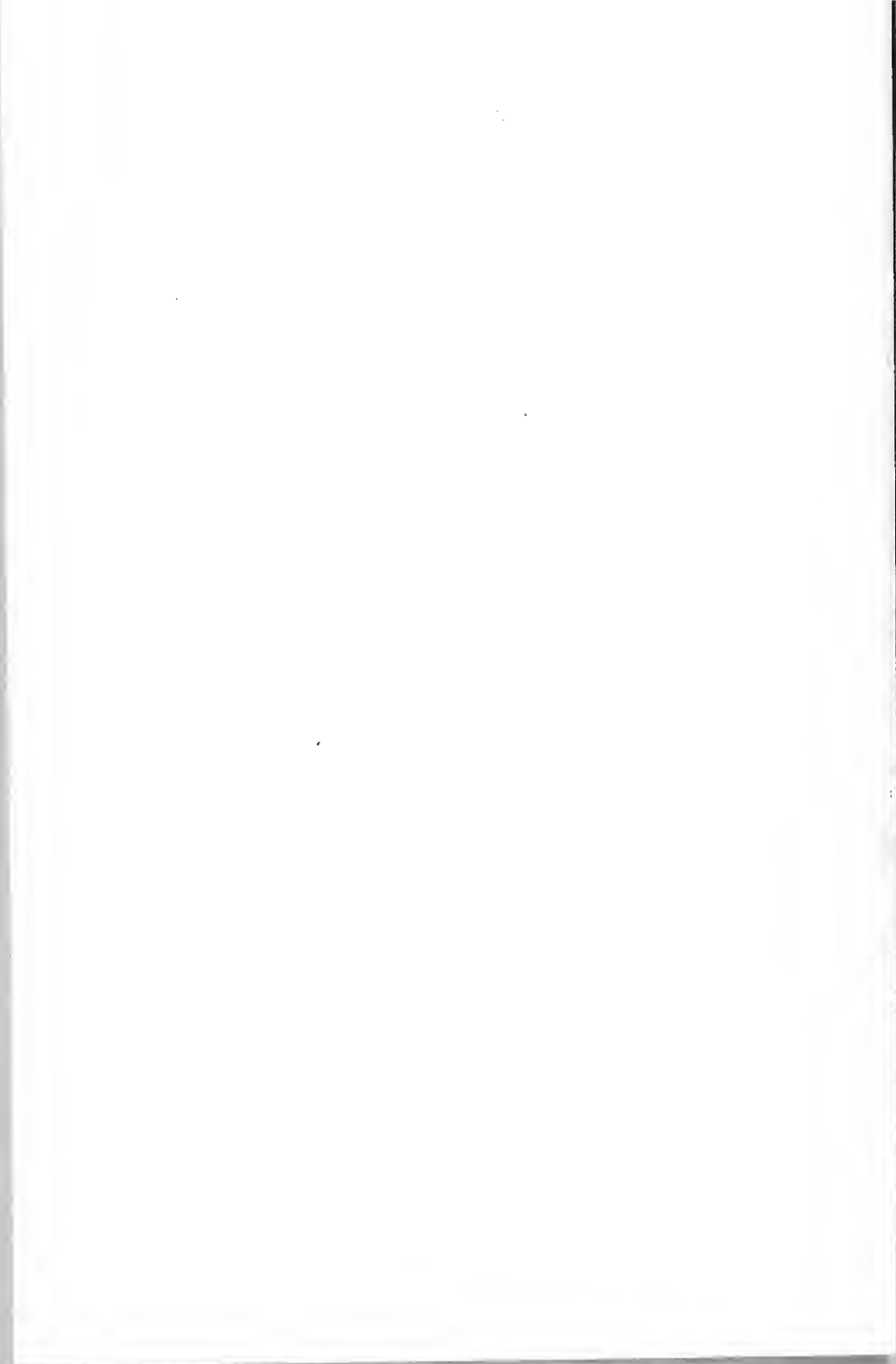
I will strive continuously to broaden my knowledge and skills so that my patients may benefit from all new and efficacious means to enhance the care of human vision.

I will share information cordially and unselfishly with my fellow optometrists and other professionals for the benefit of patients and the advancement of human knowledge and welfare.

I will do my utmost to serve my community, my country and humankind as a citizen as well as an optometrist.

I hereby commit myself to be steadfast in the performance of this my solemn oath and obligation.

**Adopted by the American Optometric Association and by
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